



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5

77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD

CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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Bruno Pigott, Assistant Commissioner
Office of Water Quality
Indiana Department of Environmental Management
100 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

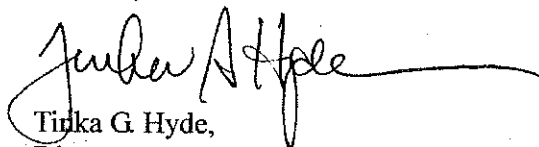
Re: US Steel Corporation, Gary Works
NPDES Permit No. IN0000281

Dear Mr. Pigott:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, has reviewed the above-referenced draft permit that the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) sent to EPA on January 21, 2010. EPA has reviewed the draft permit and fact sheet in accordance with 40 CFR 123.44(a)(1), taking into account public comments that IDEM has received on the draft permit. We will not object to issuance of the proposed permit. When the final permit is issued, please forward one copy to this office at the above address, attention National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Programs Branch.

We appreciate the hard work by you and your staff in developing this revised draft permit. Please contact me or Kevin Pierard at (312) 886-4448 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Tina G. Hyde,
Director, Water Division

cc: Paul Higginbotham
Stan Rigney